

Ecarehomehq.csv

Description:

Care Home Headquarters

Contains:

Care Home HQ data. A standard across ODS data is to maintain a parent-child structure between organisations and their sites, building up a picture of the organisational hierarchy of the NHS. In the 'Care Homes' files, field 15 identifies the owning organisation of each individual Care Home organisation - in other words, their 'corporate parent'. In the case of single site organisations, where the one location effectively takes on the role of owning organisation or 'HQ' and that of an operating site, the entity will be represented within both files.

How Maintained:

The ODS obtains care home and care home HQ data from a third-party supplier. This supplier is a leading internet publisher in the travel, care home, day nursery and racing sectors, and also specialises in publishing hardcopy guides and maps. This supplier maintains a database of all the care homes in the UK.

All care homes are required by law to be registered with at least one of three regulatory bodies in the sector. The publisher obtains extracts from each of these bodies and identifies new care homes, closures and changes, using this information to update its database appropriately. Several other additional procedures are used, including a monthly email sent to care homes requesting they update their details, questionnaires, data on undelivered mail from the five industry magazines (these all use the data to send out their products), monitoring of the industry press and information from property agents. In addition, care homes provide updates directly to the publisher in order to maintain their listings in their products.

Code Formats:

Organisation Type	Character Positions				Notes / Comments
	1	2	3	4	
Care Home HQ	A,C,D	A-9	A-9	A-9	

File Format:

The Ecarehomehq.csv file follows the standard 27 field format.

Column	Field Content	Size	Mandatory	Notes
1	Organisation Code	4	Yes	
2	Name	100	Yes	Name of the Organisation
3	Null	0	No	
4	Null	0	No	
5	Address Line 1	35	Yes	This must not contain the same information as the Organisation Name field

Column	Field Content	Size	Mandatory	Notes
6	Address Line 2	35	No	
7	Address Line 3	35	No	
8	Address Line 4	35	Yes	Town/City
9	Address Line 5	35	Yes	County
10	Postcode	8	Yes	
11	Open Date	8	Yes	Open date of organisation
12	Close Date	8	No	Close date of organisation
13	Null	0	No	
14	Null	0	No	
15	Null	0	No	
16	Null	0	No	
17	Null	0	No	
18	Null	0	No	
19	Null	0	No	
20	Null	0	No	
21	Null	0	No	
22	Amended Record Indicator	1	Yes	Indicates whether record is new/amended since the last file issue 1 = Amended 0 = Not Amended
23	Null	0	No	
24	Null	0	No	
25	Null	0	No	
26	Null	0	No	
27	Country	2	No	1 = England 2 = Scotland

Column	Field Content	Size	Mandatory	Notes
				3 = Wales 4 = Northern Ireland 5 Isle of Man 10 = Channel Islands